

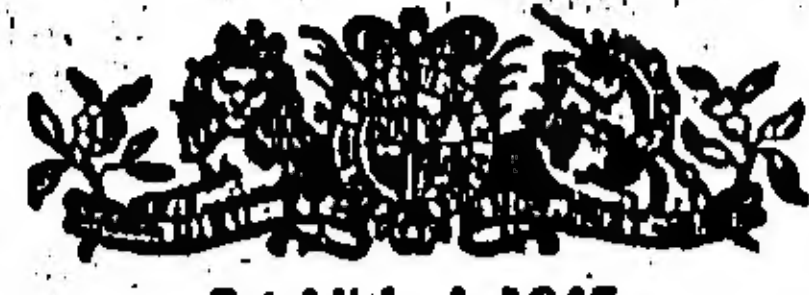
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**ALGERIAN
TALKS**

A YEAR ago President de Gaulle was refusing to negotiate on the terms under which a ceasefire could be arranged in Algeria and appeared to be holding to the French proposals at the abortive Melun conference as his last word on Algeria's future.

French policies then could be justly criticised as unrealistic. They were unrealistic because they refused to accept that the rebel nationalist movement's co-operation was indispensable in establishing a viable, peaceful State whatever its nature.

All this has changed. "France," says General de Gaulle, "accepts without any condition that the Algerian population shall constitute an entirely independent State. For this purpose France is ready to organise free self-determination with the Algerian political elements, and particularly the rebels."

To achieve this, the President has cut through the cease-fire obstacle and has not argued the right of the FLN to negotiate virtually on behalf of the Moslem population.

Problems

It is true that many practical problems have to be solved before the State comes into being.

The object of the Evian talks is to begin trying to solve them by negotiation. Instead the FLN has begged the central question for France, by refusing to discuss guarantees for the European population. It has also raised another major obstacle by challenging the French plan for the Sahara. It was at this stage of the disagreement that the President adjourned the Evian talks. His reiterated public pronouncements that "this affair" must be settled this year, make his motives quite clear. He adjourned the talks to force the FLN towards realism.

Reinforced

NOW he has reinforced that action by describing the alternative to "organic co-operation."

This is the regroupment of all those in Algeria who "refuse to be part of a State destined to chaos" a kind of transitional partition while the regrouped Europeans and Moslems are resettled in France — and the abandonment of the rest of Algeria, a withdrawal in other words of all French interest in the territory.

This is a most desperate threat. No country in the world can be an adequate substitute for France in developing Algeria. Without French trade and aid Algeria faces bankruptcy and chaos.

The choice between realism, with tangible benefits, and unreality, with only nationalist emotionalism satisfied, now rests with the FLN.

FILM CUTS

COMPLAINTS about cinemas cutting films to suit their own books are not new. They have cropped up in the Colony in spite of public dissatisfaction over many years.

Cinema proprietors seem to have their own rules and cut at will to suit their own convenience irrespective of the public which keeps them in business.

It is time that they paid more attention to the public's demands and gave satisfaction to the audience.

Doubles and triples draft calls in the services KENNEDY DEMANDS ACTION



President Kennedy

\$3,000 million boost for armed forces

Washington, July 25.

President Kennedy tonight called for a \$3,247,000,000 boost in military spending, increasing the Army's strength to 1,000,000 men, doubled and tripled draft calls, and asked for sacrifices by all Americans to meet the Communist challenge at Berlin, South-east Asia and elsewhere.

Mr Kennedy also said he will increase the Air Force's and Navy's strength in men, planes, and ships.

Addressing the nation by radio and television, Mr Kennedy soberly warned of dangers and called for both American and Allied unity.

Mr Kennedy asked for an increase in the authorised strength of the Army from 875,000 to approximately a million men.

He ordered draft calls to be doubled and tripled in coming months.

Announced

He also announced that he will ask Congress for authority to call up certain ready reserve units and individual reservists.

A number of air transport squadrons and air national guard tactical air squadrons will be ordered to active duty "to give us the airlift capacity and protection we may need."

Mr Kennedy did not call for an immediate tax increase to meet the new military spending because "improved business outlook means improved revenues."

But he said that if necessary he would ask higher taxes next January when he hopes to sub-

mit a balanced budget for the fiscal year 1963.

The President said that while increased taxes are never popular, he was sure every American "wants to pay his fair share and not leave the burden of defending freedom entirely on those who bear arms."

The President's formal request, which goes to Congress tomorrow, will be in a brief budget outline rather than a full-dress message.

He made his prepared address to Americans tonight against a background of world trouble and tension which, he said, had its source in Moscow and not Berlin.

He coupled his military build-up plans with a \$207,000,000 boost in proposed civil defence spending to start on providing atom bomb shelters if war comes.

His programme, he said, is aimed at avoiding war.

"We seek peace — but we shall not surrender," Mr Kennedy declared.

Proposals

His proposals added up to moves short of a national emergency mobilisation, to demonstrate the strength and determination for meeting Russia either at the negotiating table or on the battlefield.

The immediate threat to free men is in West Berlin," he said. "But that isolated outpost is not an isolated problem. The threat is world-wide. Our effort must be equally wide and strong, and not be obscured by a single manufactured crisis."

"We face a challenge in Berlin," he said. "But there is also, for example, a challenge in South-east Asia, where the leaders are less guarded, the enemy harder to find, and the danger of communism often less apparent to the local population."

"We face a challenge in our own hemisphere, and wherever else the freedom of human beings is at stake."

In this defence buildup, he said, "our primary purpose is neither propaganda nor provocation — but preparation."

"It was begun," the President said, "it will have begun in Moscow, not Berlin."

Mr Kennedy said the freedom of West Berlin was "not negotiable."

The special sub-committees referred to in the TUC's ultimatum reduced the authority of the new anti-Communist general secretary, Mr John Byrne.—Reuter.

TUC CRACKS DOWN ON COMMUNIST UNION MEN

London, July 25.

Trades Union Congress chiefs cracked down tonight on Communist leaders of the Communist-controlled 240,000-strong Electrical Trades Union with a tough three-point ultimatum.

The TUC leaders, after a two-day inquiry following what became known here as the "ballot rigging" case, stipulated these three conditions for continued affiliation to the TUC:

● That Mr Frank Foulkes, the ETU Communist President should be invited to resign and to submit himself to a fresh election.

● That the Executive Council should rescind within 10 days their decision to set up sub-committees to handle matters previously the responsibility of the general secretary.

● That five ETU leaders, including Mr Frank Haxell, the Communist general secretary, should be effectively barred from holding any office in the Union for five years.

These conditions will be placed before the TUC's general council tomorrow for approval and will be considered by the ETU council on Friday.

If they are turned down, the ETU faces expulsion from the TUC, according to industrial sources.

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RISE IN INTEREST RATES POSSIBLE

How the UK's austerity moves may affect HK

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Britain's austerity measures announced yesterday by the Chancellor of the Exchequer may push up Hongkong's interest rates and may check the indiscriminate flow of Hongkong exports into the UK.

This was learned today by the China Mail in the course of canvassing opinions on the possible effects Britain's austerity measures may have on Hongkong's economy.

Mr B. G. L. Oliphant, Hongkong Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corpora-

tion, said that as a result of the austerity measures interest rates in Hongkong will probably be increased.

"The extent of the increase cannot be decided immediately," he said. "We have to wait until we have more information from London."

"However, the increase in local interest rates may not necessarily be the same as the increase in the UK bank rate."

There has been a flow of capital from Hongkong to the UK to take advantage of the difference in the rates, but Mr Oliphant said, "I don't expect any large flight of capital as a result of these measures."

Opinion

Mr Oliphant was of the opinion that the austerity measure of a 10 per cent surcharge on purchase tax and customs and excise duties "could affect Hongkong's exports to the UK."

"The effect of the measures," he went on, "is that it will make it more difficult for UK importers to pay for their imports—with the result of discouraging imports and encouraging exports from the UK."

One observer, who is in an excellent position to speak on trade, said the measures would make the UK importers a little more careful when importing goods from Hongkong or anywhere.

"Although there will be, in effect, a general rise in prices in the UK of all goods either made in the UK or imported."

Hongkong exports will still maintain the advantage of the duty and price differential as she has enjoyed under the imperial preference system," he said.

"The measures aim at curbing the spending spree of UK residents so that they would be more selective when buying goods whose prices have all gone up. The same would apply to importers."

SURCHARGE

The announced surcharge may also push up any duties on Hongkong exports to the UK by 10 per cent.

"On the whole the austerity measures will dampen import trade, check imports in general, and improve the balance of payments. Hongkong is also affected in many ways because of her Sterling link with the UK."

Prof Kirby further criticised the austerity measures as "always appearing to pick on the weakest member like a scapegoat."

"For example, in countenancing the move to gang up against Hongkong textiles while at home, coming out against any improvement in the pay for teachers—who have long been the worst-treated group—whereas increases for other workers are easily met."

"I cannot feel that all this is 'playing the game' and Britain's reputation in the world for business and social decency may suffer," he concluded.

OFFSET

"I would say all that he has done is to put fourpence on tobacco and let wages go up sixpence and then try to offset this by reducing minor items like token garrisons overseas, and by reducing the balance of payments aid to developing countries—which is relatively small anyway."

He said: "My general feeling is that I don't like this green light and red light—stop and go—way of dealing with Britain's economic problem."

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LAOS TALKS SUCCESS?

Geneva, July 25.

The 14-nation Laos conference was reported to have agreed here today on a general undertaking to recognise and respect the unity, sovereignty, independence and neutrality of Laos.

It also agreed on a general undertaking not to violate the peace of Laos, authoritative sources said.—Reuter.

Forged £6,500 cheque

Melbourne, July 25.

A man has collected £6,500 in cash from a city bank after forging the signature of Lady Rowell, wife of the former Chief of the General Staff, Sir Sydney Rowell.

On June 14 he obtained a cheque book on Lady Rowell's account after forging her signature on an application form.

On June 16 he returned to the bank, presented a forged cheque for £6,500 and was paid in £10 notes.

Detectives described the forged signatures as the best they had seen in years. The signatures were so good that the forgeries were not discovered until Lady Rowell queried the large debit when she received her monthly bank statement.

Detectives said the forger had had to stand in the bank for 10 minutes while the money was brought to him from the vault, as the teller did not have enough money in his cubicle to cash the cheque.—China Mail Special.

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Public to pay more for necessities—as well as luxuries BRITAIN'S BIG SQUEEZE BEGINS

A BOOST FOR STERLING

London, July 25. Today's announcement that Britain's bank rate would be raised and that arrangements were being made to make drawings on the International Monetary Fund, gave a boost to Sterling on the London foreign exchange rate today.

Early in the day, Sterling looked firm against the U.S. dollar, in anticipation of such measures by the Chancellor.

On receipt of the news, conditions became chaotic, with dealers beset by inquiries and rates marked up sharply all round.

The Sterling-dollar rate, after touching a high of 2.79, closed at 2.78-15/16 for a net gain on the day of seven-sixteenths.

The Canadian dollar weakened five-sixteenths to 2.87-11/16.

The pound closed strongly with good gains against all the leading European currencies. Japanese Yen weakened in line with other currencies.

In the forward market, there was a sharp increase in premiums of the leading currencies as a result of the higher interest rates which foreign money now will be able to obtain in the United Kingdom.—Reuter.

Dahomey makes demand

Cotonou, July 25. Dahomey has demanded the immediate removal of a tiny Portuguese enclave on its territory, dating from the 15th century, it was learned here today.

President Hubert Maga, in a letter to the Portuguese President at "Portuguese Port," demanded Portuguese withdrawal by July 31, 1961, the eve of the first anniversary of Dahomey's independence.

Maga said: "It appears to us impossible to tolerate on our soil a foreign enclave which represents any colonial possession whatever."

"Portuguese Port" is located near Ouidah, some 40 kilometres from the Dahomey capital.—AFP.

Effect of Govt austerity measures

London, July 25. The Government's economy squeeze announced today means the man in the street will have to dig deeper into his pocket to pay for many of the necessities of life as well as the luxuries.

The 10 per cent surcharge on customs and excise duties spells dearer whisky, gin, beer, wine, cigarettes and pipe tobacco, mechanical lighters and matches, as well as more expensive petrol.

The Government's "raid" on the housewife's larder means that she in turn will have to pay more for sugar, tea, cocoa, coffee and chocolate.

And every family will additionally feel the squeeze in the application of the surcharge to the wide range of domestic articles covered by purchase tax.

Cigarettes

Here are some of the ways a family will be affected:

● Extra tax on a packet of 20 standard size and quality cigarettes, now costing four shillings and twopenny, will be a maximum of about fourpence—all of which may be passed on to the buyer.

● Petrol (cheapest grade) now four shillings and twopenny may go up through a tax increase by threepence a gallon.

● Whisky—cheapest now 37 shillings and sixpence a bottle—may be two shillings and sixpence dearer, and a pint of the cheapest beer, now around one shilling and a penny, will probably go up by a penny.

A typical light table wine selling around six shillings a bottle and paying around two shillings and twopenny duty could go up by threepence.

● Purchase tax on a £70 refrigerator—now 10 pounds ten shillings—could rise by 21 shillings if the whole of the tax increase is passed on.

● A motor car costing £1,000 and up to now paying £450 duty may be £45 dearer, and a £400 car with £143 duty may have £14 added to the price.

● A 13-shilling saucepan now pays one shilling duty, and this may go up by a penny only. But on a £203 washing machine, whose tax is at present just under £10, the increase will be almost £2.

As Mr Selwyn Lloyd, Chancellor of the Exchequer pointed out,

Kennedy demands action

(Continued from Page 1)

But he added that the United States was willing to consider "any arrangement or treaty in Germany consistent with the maintenance of peace and freedom and the legitimate security interests of all nations."

"While we are ready to defend our interests, we shall also be ready to search for peace in quiet exploratory talks in formal or informal meetings," he added.

The chief executive declared flatly that the West could not permit Soviet Russia to end the legal rights of the West in Berlin.

At the same time, he warned that the actions he outlined would require immediate sacrifice "on the part of many citizens." And he said more sacrifices would be required in the future to honour America's commitments to the two million West Berliners.

Cannot

"We cannot and will not permit the Communists to drive us out of Berlin—either gradually or by force," he said.

"We do not want to fight, but we have fought before." The enduring frontier of freedom runs through divided Berlin, he said. We want it to remain a frontier of peace.

"This is the hope of every citizen of the Atlantic community: every citizen of Eastern Europe, and I am confident, every citizen of the Soviet Union."

"For I cannot believe that the Russian peoples—who bravely suffered enormous losses in the Second World War—would not wish to see the peace upset once more in Germany. The Soviet government alone can convert Berlin's frontier of peace into a pretext for war," Mr Kennedy said.

"I hear it said that West Berlin is militarily untenable. So was Bastogne. So, in fact, was Stalingrad. Any dangerous spot is tenable if brave men will make it so," he said.

He said the United States is ready to negotiate with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev on "any arrangement or treaty in Germany consistent with the maintenance of peace and freedom, and with the legitimate security interests of all nations."

Increase

Mr Kennedy said his programme would result in a defence budget increase of \$3,450,000,000, including an extra \$207 million for civil defence.

This will bring the defence budget for the current fiscal year to \$47.5 billion, a \$6 billion increase since Mr Kennedy submitted his original defence budget last January.

Mr Kennedy prefaced his military recommendations by saying the United States, faced with Russia's threat to Berlin, had to build its capacity for maintaining peace and freedom, and to choose between "humiliation or all-out nuclear action."

About half of the new defence money the President sought will be used for procurement of non-nuclear weapons, ammunition and equipment.

He said arrangements could be worked out to relieve the Soviet and Eastern European nations' historic concern about invasion from the West.

But he served notice that "the freedom of that city is not negotiable. We cannot negotiate with those who say 'what's mine is mine'—what's yours is negotiable."

Mr Kennedy said: "Comparable efforts for the common defence are being discussed with our NATO allies. For their commitment and interest are as precise as our own."

Strength

He said the West must build its military strength, and "together we must share the burden and risks of this effort." Speaking publicly to the NATO allies he recalled the Atlantic Community's birth in response to the Communist challenges of 1947, 1948 and 1950, and said: "We are standing strong and prosperous after a decade of unprecedented progress, the Atlantic Community will not forget either its history or the principles which give it meaning."

Mr Kennedy said his decisions were prompted by Khrushchev's "grim warnings" at Vienna, the Soviet demands that the West surrender the free people of West Berlin, and the recent 30 per cent increase in the Soviet military budget.—UPI.

CASTRO RELEASES CREW & PASSENGERS

FBI probe plot to grab five more U.S. airliners

Miami, July 25.

As the passengers and crew of the pirated Eastern Airlines Electra aircraft flew back here after being released by Cuba, agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation moved quickly to foil an alleged Cuban plot to seize five more U.S. commercial airliners and fly them to Havana.

The 32 passengers and five crew members returned to the U.S. on one of the twice-daily flights operated by Pan American World Airways between Miami and Havana.

The first report of the plot for more piracy of airliners came from New York City police.

Swarmed

Police swarmed over U.S. metropolitan airports throwing up special safeguards.

"We're taking all possible precautions," said an Eastern Airlines spokesman. "We are working closely with the FBI and the State Department."

Eastern, National and North-East Airlines, the major New York to Miami carriers, were said to be targets of the purported plot by supporters of Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro.

However, their flight schedules were not interrupted, and a North-East spokesman said, "We are not arming our crews."

In Miami, reporters swarmed around the passengers and crew of the airliner plucked on Monday, as they landed this afternoon.

Gunman

One of the passengers said that the gunman responsible for the abduction was a Latin occupying a front seat. All agree that there was only one man.

The stewardess had just served coffee when the man pulled a gun and ran into the cockpit, reported Mr Al Lanken.

Mr Lanken said the passengers were treated cordially at the Havana airport and were served excellent food.

But during the 24 hours they were detained at the airport hotel, he said "you couldn't move. There was a gun in front of you and behind you."

The FBI took charge of the

five crew members as they returned and began questioning them.

Mr Raymond Waller, an EAL employee, told this story of what he saw:

Fighter

"We were flying along about 20 minutes out of Miami when I noticed the sun was coming in the left-hand window, indicating that we were flying south, and we were going over too much water."

"Then a Pan American jet aircraft flew around us for 20 minutes."

"After it left, a Navy fighter followed us nearly to Havana."

"We weren't aware of what happened until the stewardess realised that the door to the cockpit was locked from the inside and the captain wouldn't talk to her over the intercom."

"But we had some premonition. I was sitting in a front seat when the stewardess came out of the cockpit earlier after serving coffee to the captain and this man pushed his way past her inside."

"I didn't see a pistol."

"The captain didn't say anything to us until we were circling over Havana. Then he told us over the intercom what had happened—to do nothing—sit quietly and everything would be all right."

"When we landed the runway was lined with soldiers. They

were wearing all sorts of uniforms and carrying machine guns, burlap guns and guns of every type."

"The soldiers came aboard and made us stay in our seats. The hijacker opened the door to the cockpit and they took him away. He looked like a Cuban to me, but I heard him say as he came down the aisle that he was an American citizen."

Gagarin

"They kept us in a room at the airport for four hours and searched us before they gave each of us a small cup of coffee and cigarettes."

"Some of the men had their wallets taken and didn't get them back until this afternoon."

"Then they took us up to the dining room and kept us around for one and a half hours while (Russian cosmonaut Yuri) Gagarin came in. We saw it all from the dining room window."

"At the hotel they didn't bother us, and the food and the beds were adequate. Some of the rooms weren't air-conditioned. They kept the crew isolated from us for a while but finally gave that up."

"The captain said the gun was loaded and the man was desperate. He had no intention of arguing with him."—AP.

Senegal breaks relations with Portugal

Dakar, July 25. The 13-month old African state of Senegal announced tonight it was breaking diplomatic relations with Portugal.

The Government announced the move after a cabinet meeting.—UPI.

Titan heads for target in Atlantic

Cape Canaveral, July 25. A Titan inter-continental missile carrying a "push button" guidance system that would allow missile artillerymen immediately to select targets in time of war was fired today on a planned 5,000-mile test flight.

The basketball-shaped guidance system, immune to enemy jamming, contained tape prepared well in advance for carrying the missile unerringly to its ocean target.

The missile soared from its launching pad at 10:05 GMT and bore into a high arc towards a high space flight into the South Atlantic.

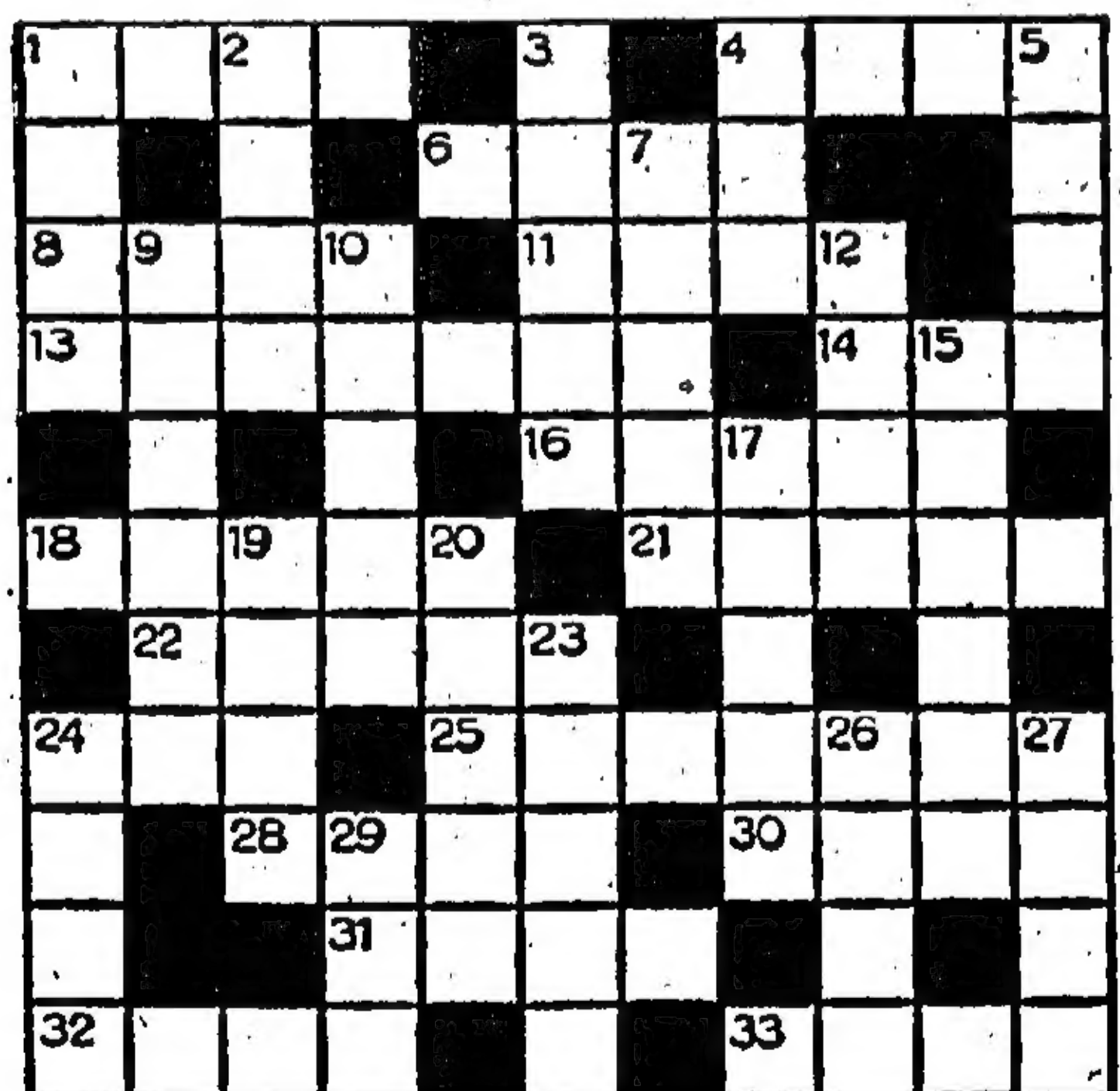
Today's shot was another in a continuing series of tests for the Air Force before all components are welded into the improved Titan II.—UPI.

Briton escapes from Congolese

Leopoldville, July 25. A British coffee broker has escaped from Congolese captivity in Bukavu, Kivu Province, and is now under United Nations protection. It was announced here today.

UN sources gave the name of the man as Derek Gauden, but this name could not be confirmed by the British Embassy.—China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Engaged.
- 2 Measure Michael.
- 3 Fruit.
- 4 Whisky maker.
- 5 Sword.
- 13 Mountain.
- 14 It gives us no peace.
- 15 Drain.
- 16 Fish.
- 21 Day girl.
- 22 Wind.
- 24 Affirmative.
- 25 Sleeping bird?
- 26 Brace.
- 30 Air.
- 31 Favourite.
- 32 It's behind you.
- 33 Glide over.

DOWN

- 1 It's a frost.
- 2 Pailid.
- 3 Consecrate.
- 4 Charge.
- 5 God of thunder.
- 7 Chase.
- 9 Get your own back.
- 10 Sing shakily!
- 12 Vessel.
- 15 Cropped up.
- 17 Vanquish.
- 19 Pant.
- 20 Uncerthly.
- 23 Does a typing job!
- 24 Cry.
- 26 Elephantine tooth!
- 27 Quantify.
- 28 Fitting.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1 Tigers, 4 Bums, 7 Tilt, 8 Godiva, 9 Atom, 10 Rome, 12 Alto, 14 Han, 16 Ash, 17 When, 20 Elze, 23 Glee, 24 Derive, 25 Tang, 26 Lasp, 27 Expert, Down: 1 Tight, 2 Gnds, 3 Blurt, 4 Blam, 5 Ullers, 6 Blum, 11 Goze, 13 Laws, 15 Sheets, 16 Angel, 18 Hedge, 19 Chest, 21 Leap, 22 Fire.

S. Vietnam Navy fights Reds

South Vietnamese motorized and armed Communist boats engaged in a running battle in South Vietnam territorial waters, the semi-official Vietnam Press news agency reported today.

The news agency said the clash occurred recently off the coast of Quang Tai province just south of the 17th parallel demarcation line about 800 miles north of Saigon.

Reinforced by two heavy junks from Tiger Island, a North Vietnam naval base north of the demarcation line, the Communist flotilla surrounded and attacked six patrolling vessels of the South Vietnam Navy.

REPORT

Vietnam Press reported the South Vietnam vessels returned fire and the assaulting flotilla fled leaving behind a boat with two bodies and four men, two of them seriously wounded, aboard.

The news agency said the South Vietnam mission to the International Control Commission in Vietnam had complained to the Commission about the incident.—Reuter.

Announcement on Kenya

London, July 25. An announcement of the release of Kenya nationalist leader Jomo Kenyatta will be made to Parliament before the summer recess if the decision is taken, said Colonial Minister Iain Macleod today during the East African debate.—AFP.

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Funds sought to help economy UK TREASURY MISSION HOLDING TALKS IN U.S.

Washington, July 25.
A British Treasury mission is in Washington discussing with officials of the International Monetary Fund a drawing of funds to assist Britain's balance of payments position, it was disclosed today.
British Embassy officials said the mission comprised Mr Maurice Parsons, Executive Director of the Bank of England, and Mr A. Cairncross, economic adviser to the British Government.

SHARP RISE IN BRITISH TRAFFIC CONVICTIONS

London, July 25.
Numbers of motorists sent to jail and disqualified from driving in England and Wales last year showed sharp rises over 1959, according to a government White Paper today.

Courts sent 3,096 drivers to jail during the year, compared with 2,267 in 1959.

Disqualifications numbered 47,728 against a 1959 total of 33,576.

DANGEROUS DRIVING
Dangerous driving convictions increased by 15 per cent, and those for driving under the influence of drink or drug by 16.8 per cent.

Courts imposed fines totalling £2,491,968 against £2,112,023 the previous year. Convictions for road offences in magistrates' courts rose by 20,582 to 765,305—China Mail Special.

The presence of these officials in Washington was made known coincidentally with the unfolding of the drastic new measures announced in London today by Mr Solomon Lloyd, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, for meeting Britain's economic difficulties.

FORTIFY RESOURCES
In the speech, Mr Lloyd said he had decided to "fortify our resources" by substantially drawing on the International Monetary Fund.
"This is being put in hand," he added. "The actual amount will be announced shortly."
Officials of the International Monetary Fund said they did not anticipate any announcement this week on the subject of drawing by Britain.

Marilyn Monroe improving

New York, July 25.
Actress Marilyn Monroe, recuperating at home from a gall bladder operation, is able to leave her bed several hours a day but has no definite plans to rest at a Long Island beach resort, a spokesman reported today.
"Miss Monroe is gaining strength daily and is feeling much better," said an aide.
The spokesman said Miss Monroe denied reports that she plans to take a beach apartment at the new Long Island resort project.—UPI.

Free dental service for Russians stirs debate in Commons

London, July 25.
Visiting Russian ballet dancers' use of Britain's National Health Service to get £100 worth of dental treatment here was criticised and defended in the House of Commons.

Mr Harold Gurney, a Conservative, said the service was expressly for British people. They objected to its being "abused," particularly by jump-

ing the queue, when those who had to wait some three months for treatment, he asserted.

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The Minister of Health, Mr Enoch Powell, said he was considering whether this sort of case could be avoided in future.
A Labour member, Mr Kenneth Robinson, said the National Health Service had never had a better advertisement for £100.

He urged the minister to resist pressure from some Conservatives to reduce health service facilities to visitors to Britain.

Mr Powell said the service was available primarily for Britons. "We provide emergency and good Samaritan treatment for the stranger within our gates," he added.—China Mail Special.

STANDSTILL

Birmingham, July 25.
Production was almost at a standstill today at the British Motor Corporation tractor and transmissions factory here where 2,500 workers are on strike over the dismissal of a shop steward.

The factory makes front suspensions and rear axles for most of the BMC range of vehicles.—China Mail Special.

Violinist in tragic accident

Paris, July 25.
Austrian composer and violinist Max Thurn will never play again as a result of an accident in Biarritz, France, today.
When his light plane failed to start, Thurn swung the propeller by hand. The engine fired and the propeller whirled, catching his hands.
The 51-year-old violinist was rushed to a hospital in nearby Bayonne. Six fingers were amputated and surgeons feared they might also have to amputate his hands.—AP.

Actress gets divorce

Los Angeles, July 25.
"Go away—I have other things on my mind," words like these made actress Vivian Blaine feel unwanted and rejected, she testified today in winning a divorce from Milton Rackmil.
She also won Superior Court approval of a property settlement giving her \$205,000.
Miss Blaine, 37, said her marriage to the 58-year-old President of Universal-International Studios and Decca Records Company "was and only five per cent of what was left of Mr Rackmil allotted to me."
They were married on May 9, 1959.—AP.

Relation of diet and cancer studied

London, July 25.
Work at the Chester Beatty Research Institute has shown that the incidence of certain types of cancer in mice can be reduced by restricting the number of calories in the diet.

Mr Denzil Freeth, Parliamentary Secretary for Science, said this in reply to a Parliamentary question.
He added that the work also showed that the experimental introduction of cancer of liver in rats could, to a certain extent, be prevented by supplementing the diet with protein and the vitamin riboflavin.

"As a result of these leads, experiments are now in progress to determine the degree of protection afforded by a wide variety of dietary modifications against cancer-producing agents," he added.
Mr Freeth also said that studies of cell division in plant, animal and human material and of the inhibiting effects of many types of chemical agent formed an important part of the Institute's work.
These studies had led to the development of a number of drugs with useful, if limited, application in the treatment of special types of cancer.—China Mail Special.

Quarantine for dogs belonging to high official

Sydney, July 25.
A pedigreed Pekingese and a King Charles Spaniel owned by Australia's Governor-General, Lord De L'Isle, will be impounded by quarantine officers when they arrived in Sydney next Saturday.
They will be held for two months to determine whether they have rabies or internal parasites, and will be transferred from the freighter in special kennels.
A quarantine station official said today that Lord De L'Isle had agreed to quarantine and had asked that the dogs be accorded no special privileges.—China Mail Special.

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END OF STORY

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A TOUCH OF KINDNESS BY THAMES-SIDE . . .

"THANK you, sir." Oddly earned, this gratitude by the imposition of a fine. But such reactions are not uncommon at Thames Court where Mr Leo Gradwell keeps an eye—sometimes rather mischievous behind the monocle—on the misdeeds of the East End.

A special relationship has been growing up over the last decade between the magistrate and people living between Aldgate and the River Lea which two incidents from the Battle of the Atlantic may help to explain.

Once, the captain of a stately battleship noticed a tiny sea-stained naval trawler bob over the horizon and her signal lamp flash to him the important message: "Are you happy in the Service?"

Turly, he replied: "Signal name, rank, seniority of your commanding officer." The trawler flashed back: "Leo Gradwell, Barrister at Law, Inner Temple, 1925."

Some time later U-boats and bombers were sinking the merchant ships of convoy PQ17 bound for Russia. Mistakenly believing the Tiptop to be out the Admiralty had withdrawn the close escort and ordered the convoy to scatter, bringing about the most spectacular German naval victory of the war.

One escort captain, Lieutenant Gradwell, disobeyed orders and remained with the doomed ships. Three he led deep into the Arctic ice, had them camouflaged white and eventually delivered them safely to Russia.

This earned Gradwell a medal—but not promotion—and it also earned him that subtle mixture of deference and respect which ships' captains can sometimes inspire.

It is this sort of feeling that East Enders have for their magistrate. It is a trust in his judgment and it is the feeling that Gradwell is not really angry when a sailor, charged with drunken brawling and asked if he has anything to say, replies: "Yes, sir, I enjoyed it."

Gradwell is also something of a father-figure in the East End. He is a powerfully-built man—a keen yachtsman at 61 with a kindly, humorous face that can instantly assume bulldog severity.

For a man of his presence, his voice is unexpectedly light and gentle. Since Thames Court was founded in 1798 it has been dealing with drunken sailors, warehouse pilfering, smuggling, prostitution and violence.

A comparison of charge lists of 1930 and this year shows that the numbers of drunks, thieves and cases of "insulting behaviour" have not decreased, although the population has shrunk by half.

To this are added new types of crime. There is more drunken driving, more "borrowing" of cars and motorcycles.

There are those who cannot keep up hire-purchase payments and take to theft, and those who sell their TV television sets and refrigerators after the first payment.

Coloured settlers in Stepney charged with committing "an act of gross indecency."

Recently Gradwell had to placate two Jamaicans arrested for fighting in the street and causing arrest.

They swore that they had been at a christening party and were perhaps a little noisy and excited as they left. Could the police have been mistaken?

One Jamaican said he was arrested "because I coloured." Gradwell, tactful and patient, gave this case extra time to find the truth.

Although he prides himself on the speed of his court's mechanism.

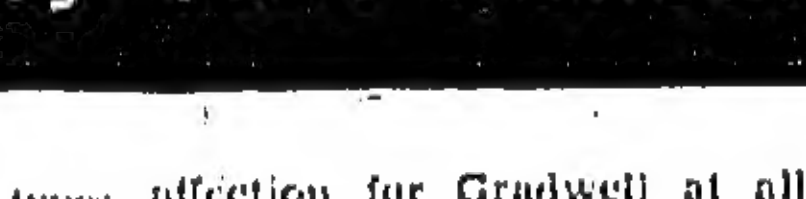
Of course, the vice gangs, dog runners and those known by the changingly traditional name of "villains" have not disappeared.

—but the ex-Navy man can be tough

SILENCE IN COURT

The Story of
London's
Magistrates

by Tom Pocock



by Tom Pocock

Driver can go to sleep on this automatic road

New York.
THE US Government are
completing plans for a
£17 million test of a high-
way so automatic that a car
"driver" will be able to
sleep, read, play cards or
even watch TV while
taking his trip.

Developed by a committee
of "idea men" formed by
Secretary of Commerce, Luther
H. Hodges, the project may be
in operation by 1963.

It will provide for a 100-mile
test strip on two inner lanes of
a 4,000-mile inter-state system
that will link most of America's
state capitals and industrial
centres by 1972.

£17 MILLION TEST STRIP IN THE U.S.

The electronic roads will make
it possible to completely and
automatically control all cars
using them.

For the test, the federal govern-
ment will supply the neces-
sary equipment that will con-
trol steering, speed and brak-
ing. This equipment will include
a guidance system imbedded
either in or at the side of the
road, a portable control unit,
and computers at entrance points
to the electronic highway.

At the flat voice of the
police witness publicly de-
scribed each degrading detail
one could feel the words
striking the boy and his
parents sitting while and
shaking behind him, like
splashes of acid.

The case, explained Gradwell,
had to go to the London Ses-
sions but he would allow bail.
The boy's father was called into
the witness box. Could he go
bail for £25? "No sir," £15,
then? "No sir."

Then the truth emerged. The
parents now disowned their son.
"Mr Montgomery!" Grad-
well called across to the proba-
tion officer. "I don't want to
send this boy to Wormwood
Scrubs for a fortnight. Will you
find him somewhere to stay?"

The impressive machinery of
the probation service takes
charge of the boy. He is found
a room in a hostel. He may be
found work, given psychiatric
treatment and very probably
saved from the ruin in which
his life stood for a few
minutes when his father was
in the witness box.

Sometimes probing by Grad-
well into an apparently minor
routine offense uncovers some-
thing of the deep misery that has not
yet left the East End.

A pretty, well-dressed woman
of about 30 stands in the dock.
A typical Stepney housewife, you
might think. She is charged
with one of those petty acts of
larceny to which overworked
women seem oddly prone.

The postman had asked her
to take in a parcel for a
neighbour, she had opened it,
found it contained a dress and
sold it to a neighbour's neighbour
for £2. Gradwell asked for
evidence. "To buy food for the
children."

An inquiry is ordered and her
story emerges. She is unmarried
but had been living with a
Maltese who left her two years
ago with no money and five
children, now aged between
17 months and nine years.

The six live together in one
room and draw about £9 a
week National Assistance.

ALL SPENT

Before Easter she was paid
an extra week's money in ad-
vance and in a rash moment
spent it on new clothes for the
children. Before the fortnight
was up there was no money for
food. Again somebody is saved
from the edge.

On the evening commuters' train
to Stansted, Essex, those
who strike up conversation with
Leo Gradwell tend to suggest
that he must "see a lot of life"
at Thames Court. "Oh, yes,"
Gradwell will answer. "It's the
most interesting court in Lon-
don."

This, seen against the back-
ground of human reconstruction
work over which Gradwell pre-
sides, is an understatement of
which the Royal Navy would be
proud.

Tomorrow: Paul Bennett
at Marlborough Street

—(London Express Service).

HONGKONG MOVIELAND

BY DAVID LAN

She's called—Hongkong's Francoise Sagan . . .

HER T-shirt in red-and-white zebra lines; her
shorts in a matching red. She looked like a
pin-up fresh from a calendar.

All of her petite five-four pirouetted from be-
side a mirror-topped table into a Dynasty sofa by
the side of a verandah.

Thus Nellie Chin-yu, the
Francoise Sagan of Hong-
kong, the star screen writer
of MP & GI, began unfold-
ing her trade secrets.

Before a movie is born, there
must be the germ of a story
idea. "I get it from every-
where," said the Hongkong
University graduate who
majored in English literature
and minored in Chinese.

"Sometimes from a novel,
sometimes from my own ex-
periences, from people, or
from the newspapers. . . I read
a lot. . . I scan 14 newspapers a
day to pick up real-life
ideas."

Concrete

"But I think characters are
more important than plots," she
went on. "Given one incident,
different characters react in
different ways."

"So first of all, you must have
some concrete idea of a
character, then develop it
accordingly."

"Usually, I let my characters
grow by themselves. After a
while they become friends."

Then she quipped, "My men
are more interesting than
women." Because? "Because
I'm more interested in men."
Of course, interplay of
characters will never suffice.
You must have some basic
plot.

"However," she continued, "I
prefer to keep my characters in
my mind in a plastic state and
keep changing them. And my
scripts are always written in a
hurry because all my ideas
are conceived months ahead in
a period of incubation."

"When it comes to writing,
it's just a matter of putting
them down on paper."

She writes at the terrific
speed of 2,500 words per hour.
In two or three weeks, she can
finish a script of 40,000 words.
She seldom goes beyond the
second draft. "It's no good to
correct too much."

"Whenever I get an idea, I
must be sitting at my desk
around," she revealed. "I can't
stick to a desk for too long."

"However, I never get stuck
for dialogue, because I like to
talk. Usually people find it dif-
ficult to write dialogue. In Holly-
wood, they have a department
specifically for it."

Emphasis

Nellie uses as little dialogue
in a film as possible "because
most people going to Mandarin
films do not necessarily speak
the dialect."

She also believes a motion pic-
ture — as opposed to a stage
play — should lay more
emphasis on action than
dialogue.

Mood affects her writing.
"Sometimes I just can't concen-
trate. When I get stuck, I put
it aside and go for a ride. Music
helps. But I don't believe in
forcing myself. That's why I'm
always behind schedule."

Nellie used to work through the
night. "But now that I am
married to a doctor, I have got
to write in the day time. But I
don't get as much inspiration. I
still think night is the best time
for writing."

She also started her screen-
writing career with MP and GI
in 1955, two years before her
graduation from the University
of Hongkong.

Mutilation

She has turned out some
twenty scripts for the company.
Among her best are "Too Young
To Love," "Her Tender Heart,"
and "Sun, Moon and Star"
(double-length).

What makes a good script?
"It's the human interest in it,"
she said.

On the relation between
writer and director, Nellie said,
"Most script-writers would like

to become directors just for one
reason — to protect their own
scripts from mutilation."

"There is a funny team-work.
When a film flops the writer and
director blame each other.
When it's a success, they claim
the credit from each other," she
laughed.

"However, if you write scripts,
you think in terms of pictures —
you visualise the scenes . . .
but the words, and that is part
and parcel of direction. So
script-writing is a good training
for directing."

"As for the directors, they
know what they want from a
script writer. So they are better
able to write a script than a
layman."

Nellie disapproves of a person
writing a script and directing it
here.



Nellie Chin-yu

Born in Peking in 1936,
Nellie was educated by tutors
up to the age of 13 before she
entered a middle school.
She thinks of her meeting
with Dr Robert Johnson Lee,
her husband, as a "destiny."
"He came all the way from
South Africa and I came all
the way from Peking. We met
at lunch during which I can't
even remember what I ate!"
"I was first attracted by his
cuff-links—a pair of ivory
skulls—very peculiar for a
doctor."

They were wed last December
and Nellie found that "marriage
helps my career a great deal
because I have come to know
more of 'human' interest, and
that is the essence of script
writing."

★ ★ ★
Petite Liu Shiao-hui, last of
the three girl stars MP &
GI recruited from Taiwan,
arrived by air last Thursday.
The other two who arrived
earlier are Chang Hui-hsian and
Li Tse-an.

Miss Chang will make her
film debut in "It's Always
Spring," a musical in which she
will play younger sister to Julie
Yeh-fung.

Another MP & GI recruit
from Taiwan, Lu Yu, will wait
until the expiry of his national
service in Taiwan before coming
here.

Miss Helen Li Mei, MP &
GI's dancing star of "Calendar
Girl" fame, has signed a con-
tract with the Takaratsuka
Dancing Team for her lead-
ing role in the Chinese section
of the most famous follies in
Japan.

The 35-day performances
will commence on August 20
at the Takaratsuka Theatre
in Japan.

The Donkeys

Two-word title to
an attack that will
rekindle bitter
controversies over the
battles of World War I

Zermatt.

BRITAIN'S generals — particularly Earl Haig — who ran the
campaign on the Western Front in 1915 come under a barrage
of criticism in a book out last week . . . a book that would
have been published weeks ago but for a plea from the Haig
trustees to delay its issue until after the Haig centenary cele-
brations last month.

The book—"The Donkeys," written by Alan Clark—is an expose
of the characters and inefficiency of the generals.

By

CHARLES DOUGLAS-HOME

whole group of people still who
try to keep his reputation
intact."

Mr Clark dealt with the year
1915 because, he says, it was in
that year that the old profes-
sional Army of Britain — built
up over a whole century — was
almost totally wiped out, leav-
ing nothing on which to build
the new conscript armies.

LIKE LIONS

He told me: "The book was
ready a long time ago, but Earl
Haig's trustees were very keen
to have it postponed until after
the celebrations. My publishers
agreed, and now it came out
last week."

"I took the title from the
famous Hoffman quotation
when he said 'The English fight
like lions but they are led by
donkeys.' The donkeys are
the generals."

"The book closes with the
dismissal of the original C-in-C,
Sir John French, and the under-
hand part Earl Haig played in
securing his dismissal," he said.

"I think Earl Haig was a bad
man basically and not much of
a soldier either, but there is a

CASUALTIES

"It was a tragedy," he said.
"There were wonderful
soldiers and they were just
thrown away."

"Although the casualties were
not as large as they were in
1916 and 1917, they were far
greater in proportion to the
troops engaged."

* Hutchinson's, 25s.

"When I was doing the re-
search on this book I some-
times used to sit up at work all
night. The documents were so
horrible I could not sleep."

"There is a terrible contrast
between the squandering of all
that heroism and the staff
officers in the rear, bickering
with each other, intriguing, and
leading competitive social lives
in their messes."

"But there were exceptions.
I do not think Sir Horace
Smith-Dorrien was a donkey.
The stand he made at Lo Cateau
in 1914 saved the B.E.F. — and
the others never forgave him
for it."

"At the second battle of
Ypres he refused to order any
more counter-attacks after three
had failed. Sir John French
sacked him and adopted the
humiliating procedure of send-
ing the dismissal notice over
the radio en clair."

Mr Clark decided to write
"The Donkeys" three years ago,
when he came across the diary
of a young captain who served
at Ypres.

"I was so struck," he said,
"by the passive acceptance of
the awful conditions and the
soldiers' unquestioning faith in
their senior officers' ability."

"I went to Ypres on my
honeymoon. I used to get up
at dawn when nobody was
about. It was uncanny the way
one could sense that the blood
of a million soldiers was soaked
into those few miles of water-
meadows."

THE EFFECT

"I believe that the orders
which sent our men over the
top time and time again during
the great war had the effect of
reducing Britain from a world
power to just another ranking
Power."

"And I don't think it is some-
thing from which we have ever
really recovered."

—(London Express Service).

WOMANSENSE

MOSCOW

WHAT with Yuri Gagarin sending us into a swoon, and Rumanian fashion knocking us for six at Earls Court, this seems to have been Soviet season in London.

The dapper major sent the girls into a state of frenzy from the minute he stepped off his airliner, and made their boyfriends exchange their beatnik hair-cuts for something more military, Russian-style.

From the moment the first Soviet model girl, hair bouffant in the current Western style, walked onto the platform wearing a Russian-made dress, the superior smiles of the designers and fashion writers in the audiences were changed to open mouths.

For whatever you may say about their style, cut and finish, one thing is certain — Russia is not averse to following the French couture, even though they prefer to lead in space travel.

There, for us all to see, was the dropped waist, the slightly flared skirt, the off-the-face hat. The decadent Western look is obviously appreciated in Moscow. There, too, as we went out, were patterns of these clothes being snapped up by eager English dressmakers, who wanted to be among the first to wear something designed by the Cominform.

When you look closely at the clothes, it's the Russian dresses that are inspired by their national costumes that appeal to us most.

There were, for instance, boldly striped Uzbekian cloths that looked almost like Swedish fabrics with their sophisticated, off-beat colourings. The Russians used them to make a sur-

Takes the Paris line

By Jane Rogers

prizingly large collection of evening dresses. A practical note I appreciated were the matching aprons that went with many of the clothes. Any woman who tries to work and run a home at the same time would like an apron she could snatch up the moment she got into the house.

BEAUTY is in the news. This week, with a whole new collection of gimmicks that have appeared on the shop counters:

QUICK, for clean-ups at the office, or after a long day shopping are Wonder Cleansers, new small-sized facial cleansing pads which come in a special tin. They are useful too for cleaning the hands when travelling, or at a picnic, and especially good if the children get grimy.

GAY, if you like to wear eye make-up, is a new range of colour-matched eye shadows, eye liners and mascaras in greens, blues and mauves. Incidentally, if you use a black eye-pencil to outline your eyes, switch to milk brown instead, it is so much softer.

SENSIBLE if you like to take your perfume with you, is the new aerosol scent, packed in a lizard-skin cylinder and refills clip in and out with ease.

FUN, to wear when your hair is in curlers is a Wild Man of Borneo hat going into the shops now. It's a wig of pillar-box red wool, and you can plait it, curl it, set it with lacquer, wear it any way you like.

COMFORTABLE for women who like to give themselves an overnight hair-do are the new plastic rollers which are soft enough to stop your head from hurting. For the girl who goes to the hairdresser the same firm have now marketed a new plastic setting lotion. Pil-fix which gives the hair more body, holds in your set for a long time.



A Soviet model parades before the cameras to show something of the latest from Moscow's Central Fashion House during the Soviet Trade Fair at Earls Court. There is the straw up-turned Breton and boxy-suit, that is IN now.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Waking Up McSnooze

—Hanid's Idea Snaps The Pixie Out Of His Sleep—

By MAX TRELL

IT SOUNDED like someone hammering all right. But why should anyone be hammering in the middle of the park? Knarf and Hanid, the Shudow Children with the Turned-About Names, stopped and listened again.

"Tap-tap-tap-bang tap-tap-bang-bang!" came the sound.

"It can't be a Woodpecker," said Hanid. "Woodpeckers go 'Tap'. They don't go 'Bang'. It's somebody hammering. I'm sure of it, Knarf."

Finally they discovered that the hammering sounds were coming from O'Cheer Hall down under the roots of the Old Oak where the Pixies lived.

The Old Oak, in case you don't know, stood in the middle of the park not far from the edge of the lake.

The Pixies who lived in O'Cheer Hall were park Pixies, regular city Pixies, used to cars and fire engines and Children shouting and People walking—but they were old-fashioned, ordinary Pixies just the same.

Met two Pixies

At the door of O'Cheer Hall Knarf and Hanid met Pixie McSnooze and Pixie O'Scowl. They were standing there with their hands over their ears. The hammering came from below and it was fearfully loud.

"What's going on?" Hanid asked the two Pixies. She had to shout to make them hear, and they had to shout back.

O'Scowl's trying out his new alarm clock!" they answered. Knarf and Hanid hurried down the winding flight of steps that led down through the hollow trunk of the Old Oak, down under the roots and finally to O'Cheer Hall.

Here they came on a curious sight. Pixie O'Scowl was standing in his shirt sleeves with a hammer in each hand, pounding with all his might on two large empty dishpans. The noise was deafening.

Right next to the dishpans, on a couch stuffed with soft moss, lay Pixie McSnooze. This was a small-sized, rosy-cheeked Pixie who had the reputation of being the sleepiest, laziest, do-nothingest, most stretchy and yawningest Pixie that ever lived.

This Pixie McSnooze was now fast asleep on the mossy couch. He was breathing softly and there was a faint smile on his lips.

He was—as Knarf and Hanid could see at once—having a pleasant dream.

Stopped hammering "Wake up!" screamed Pixie O'Scowl over the noise of his hammering. "Time to wake up!"

Pixie McSnooze didn't even stir. Seeing Knarf and Hanid, Pixie O'Scowl stopped hammering on the dishpans.

"I give up," he said. "Here I've been hammering for half an hour and what good does it do? Just look at him snoozin' on that couch! Is he disturbed? Is he bothered? Oh no! And I thought this kind of an alarm clock would be sure to work."

Pixie O'Scowl sat down on top of Pixie McSnooze in disgust.

"I've got work to do—loads and loads of work to do. And he's supposed to help me." He gave Pixie McSnooze a dig with his hand in the ribs as he spoke.

"He's certainly fast asleep, all right," said Knarf as he went over and took a close look at Pixie McSnooze's face.

Try a bell "Maybe," said Hanid to Pixie O'Scowl, "if you rang a bell he might hear it."

Pixie O'Scowl shook his head. "I've done that already," he said. "I've rung a big dinner bell right in his ear. It just made him sleep sounder."

"Do you know what I did just before you got here? I blew up a firecracker under the couch. You should have heard the crack it made!"

"And it didn't wake him up?" asked Knarf in amazement. "He must have opened his eyes!"

"He did not open his eyes one bit," said Pixie O'Scowl. "He knew that lunchtime alarm clock would do it," said Hanid.



O'Scowl was pounding two empty dishpans with hammers.

just smiled in his sleep as if he was listening to a Bird singing in his dream. I don't know what to do."

"Did you blow a whistle?" asked Hanid.

"I did," said Pixie O'Scowl. "Did you beat a drum?" asked Hanid.

"I beat a drum. I blew a horn. I kicked an empty tin can around the room all at the same time," said Pixie O'Scowl. Suddenly Hanid had an idea.

What's the time? "Pixie O'Scowl, dear," she said in a very soft and gentle voice, "what time is it, please?"

Pixie O'Scowl, still sitting on top of Pixie McSnooze, glanced at the clock on the wall. "Almost 12 o'clock," he said in a puzzled voice, throwing a look at Hanid as if to say, "Now what did you ask that for?"

Hanid still kept her voice low. "Oh—12 o'clock! Time for lunch! We'd better hurry!" She started tiptoeing toward the door.

"Sh-h," she cautioned Knarf and Pixie O'Scowl. "Don't make any noise. We don't want to wake him up. He doesn't want any lunch if he's fast asleep!"

They all tiptoed up the stairs, Hanid, Knarf, Pixie O'Scowl and—yes—Pixie McSnooze as well. His eyes were half closed, he was yawning, but he was awake! "I'm coming!" he said. "Wait for me! I'm hungry!"

"I knew that lunchtime alarm clock would do it," said Hanid.

LADY LUCK

your CHINA MAIL horoscope

WEDNESDAY, JULY 26

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): You may find that a certain plan is hardly worth bothering about when you have investigated it more thoroughly.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): Don't wait for others to bring your latest achievement to the notice of those who can further your ambition.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Today should bring a decided improvement in your rather strained relationship with a friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Exaggerated attention to petty details at home could easily lead to constant bickering.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Don't waste time rebuking a youngster who has got into trouble, but take action at once to find a way out.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): A member of the opposite sex is beginning to exert a strong influence over you in matters of deportment and dress.

LEO (July 22-August 21): If you are bewildered by a friend's change of attitude, ask him point-blank to give you the reasons.

VIRGO (August 22-September 19): Be careful how you put a rather delicate matter to a person of the opposite sex if you want to avoid being misunderstood.

LIBRA (September 20-October 23): Devotion to your partner sometimes prompts you to make sacrifices that are not really necessary.

SCORPIO (October 24-November 21): Don't let an exaggerated sense of loyalty to your present employer keep you from improving your prospects elsewhere.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): You will at last succeed in gaining an introduction to someone you have been anxious to meet for a very long time.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): An outing to which you have been looking forward may have to be postponed for a week or two.

YOUR LUCKY CARD: If today is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the TWO of DIAMONDS.

GOOD NEIGHBOURS: NEW WAY TO HELP FRIENDS



GUY LAROCHE

FRENCH couturier getting off to a flying start for the coming round of collections: GUY LAROCHE, who has pulled off one of the soundest business negotiations ever.

He has moved from his old cramped premises into the beautiful Paris mansion just bought by New York Jeweller Harry Winston, in the Avenue Montaigne just about opposite Dior.

ALIKE

Both have a showcase on the ground floor—a boutique for Laroche (who's never had much room for one before) and the same for Harry Winston.

Harry Winston's principal rooms are on the first floor: Guy Laroche's salons on the second floor, and the Laroche workrooms on the third floor.

The Laroche clientele includes a splendid dollop of the cream of the Paris smart young set; the Winston clientele numbers

most of the world's really rollicking rich women.

The Laroche collection always has come of the most-worn, snazziest, chicest little numbers in Paris, the Winston collection (Mrs Harry Winston is a walking shop window for it) has included at one time or another an awe-inspiring tally of the world's biggest and best-known jewellery, including the Star of the East, the Jonker Diamond (third largest in the world) and the ill-famed Hope Diamond, valued at close on half a million pounds.

Winston couturiers might get ideas sauntering through the Laroche Boutique: Laroche clients are likely to get a thoughtful look on their faces as they wander past the Winston showcases.

And if I was a man, I'd go a long way round to give the whole dangerous joint a miss.

(London Express Service).

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

New overalls should be washed before use and starched with thin starch. This will prevent oil and dirt soaking into the material and makes the garment much easier to wash later on. Repeat the starching at every washing.

Apples or onions will bake more quickly if the casserole is covered and left that way until about 15 minutes before the food is done.

To prevent moths attacking carpets spray occasionally with a weak ammonia solution. Do this weekly during the moth season and the pests will be kept away.

Cottage cheese mixed with chopped cooked apple slices and

chopped nuts makes a delicious luncheon salad. Top with a mayonnaise thinned with the juice from the apple slices.

Cheese can be kept free from fungus by placing a lump of sugar in the cheese dish. The sugar absorbs the moisture and keeps the cheese fresh.

To make stale bread become as fresh as new, fill a fairly large pot half full of water and bring it to the boil. Place a sieve on top and put the stale bread inside and steam it for a few minutes.

To test cooking eggs, place in a glass of water (cold); if the egg rises and floats midway in the water, it will have a musky flavour.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

TODAY'S hand is dedicated to all those readers who are tired of watching expert declarers fulfill their contracts by means of brilliant squeezes, coups, and plays, etc.

South was an expert. He won the opening club lead; drew trumps; and studied the hand carefully.

There was a simple way to play the hand. He could lead a spade toward dummy's king. Put the ace of spades in the

NORTH 10			
♠K2	♥K2	♦K2	♣K2
♠Q1032	♥Q1032	♦Q1032	♣Q1032
♠AKJ97	♥AKJ97	♦AKJ97	♣AKJ97
♠A5	♥A5	♦A5	♣A5
WEST			
♠AQ643	♥AQ643	♦AQ643	♣AQ643
♠84	♥84	♦84	♣84
♠62	♥62	♦62	♣62
♠J1097	♥J1097	♦J1097	♣J1097
EAST			
♠J10875	♥J10875	♦J10875	♣J10875
♠9	♥9	♦9	♣9
♠864	♥864	♦864	♣864
♠8532	♥8532	♦8532	♣8532
SOUTH (D)			
♠9	♥AKJ765	♦AKJ765	♣AKJ765
♠AKJ765	♥AKJ765	♦AKJ765	♣AKJ765
♠AKJ765	♥AKJ765	♦AKJ765	♣AKJ765
♠AKJ765	♥AKJ765	♦AKJ765	♣AKJ765
Both vulnerable			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 N.T.	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—4 ♠			

West hand and he would have a parking place for his third diamond.

There also was a complicated way to play the hand and South decided to try it. He played one high diamond to see if the queen would drop. Then he carefully discarded dummy's deuce of spades on his long club and played a spade.

Give East the ace of spades and this would have worked perfectly. Unfortunately for South, the ace was with West. West led his last diamond and expert South went down.

Strangely enough, South had given the hand the best percentage play, because if West had led a diamond South would still have made the hand, so we can say that he played brilliantly, but without success.

★CARD Sense★

Q—The bidding has been: South 1 ♠ 1 A Pass 2 ♠ Pass 3 A Pass 4 A Pass 5 A Pass 6 A Pass 7 A Pass 8 A Pass 9 A Pass 10 A Pass 11 A Pass 12 A Pass 13 A Pass 14 A Pass 15 A Pass 16 A Pass 17 A Pass 18 A Pass 19 A Pass 20 A Pass 21 A Pass 22 A Pass 23 A Pass 24 A Pass 25 A Pass 26 A Pass 27 A Pass 28 A Pass 29 A Pass 30 A Pass 31 A Pass 32 A Pass 33 A Pass 34 A Pass 35 A Pass 36 A Pass 37 A Pass 38 A Pass 39 A Pass 40 A Pass 41 A Pass 42 A Pass 43 A Pass 44 A Pass 45 A Pass 46 A Pass 47 A Pass 48 A Pass 49 A Pass 50 A Pass 51 A Pass 52 A Pass 53 A Pass 54 A Pass 55 A Pass 56 A Pass 57 A Pass 58 A Pass 59 A Pass 60 A Pass 61 A Pass 62 A Pass 63 A Pass 64 A Pass 65 A Pass 66 A Pass 67 A Pass 68 A Pass 69 A Pass 70 A Pass 71 A Pass 72 A Pass 73 A Pass 74 A Pass 75 A Pass 76 A Pass 77 A Pass 78 A Pass 79 A Pass 80 A Pass 81 A Pass 82 A Pass 83 A Pass 84 A Pass 85 A Pass 86 A Pass 87 A Pass 88 A Pass 89 A Pass 90 A Pass 91 A Pass 92 A Pass 93 A Pass 94 A Pass 95 A Pass 96 A Pass 97 A Pass 98 A 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YORKSHIRE STILL AT TOP

Despite failure to take any point from drawn match against Surrey

London, July 25. Yorkshire, the County cricket champions, did not get a point from their match with Surrey which ended in a draw at Leeds today — but they remain at the top of the table as Middlesex were playing the Australians, and Hampshire, in third place, lost to Sussex.

Yorkshire never attempted the almost impossible task of securing 278 to win in 140 minutes. The refusal of Peter May, the Surrey captain to declare before lunch annoyed some of the crowd, but May rightly declined to give Yorkshire, who had been completely outplayed on the first innings, the chance of 12 points when he himself had little chance of winning the match on a perfect batting pitch.

Batted well

Barrington (65 not out) and May (40) batted well in the morning, and after the declaration, Taylor (54) and Close (51) shone for Yorkshire, who were 141 for two at the close.

Gloucestershire coasted to a six-wicket victory after an amazing collapse by Nottinghamshire who lost half their second innings wickets for 15. Then Maurice Hill (90 not out) and Brian Wells put on 54 for the last wicket and Nottingham finally reached 148 all out.

After being 201 behind on the first innings, Gloucestershire forced an excellent two-wicket win over Somerset at Cardiff where they had been set to make 280. It was an exciting finish. When the extra half-hour was claimed Gloucestershire needed 34 runs with four wickets in hand. Bowler Brian Evans hit 36 in the critical period, including two sixes.

Collapsed

Derbyshire collapsed against a Worcestershire combination of pace and spin, and losing their last seven wickets for 98, were defeated by 185 runs.

Bill Oates, who lost seven partners while making an undefeated 67, was the only batsman to offer stern resistance.

Splendid defensive batting by Trevor Bailey, who was handicapped by a badly-bruised thumb, saved his side for Essex against Kent at Maidstone.

Essex were set to get 351 in 315 minutes and lost half the side for 125. Then John Taylor and Paddy Phelan (59 not out) gave Bailey splendid support, and the close Bailey had batted three and a half hours for his 81 not out. Essex were then 308 for seven.

Results

Results of today's cricket matches were:

At Kidderminster: Worcestershire beat Derbyshire by 185 runs. Worcestershire 206 and 339 for five declared; Derbyshire 189 and 171 (I. Hall 47, W. Oates 67 not out). Worcestershire 122 points.

At Leeds: Match drawn. Surrey 394 for six declared and 152 for four declared (K. Barrington 65 not out, P. May 40). Yorkshire 299 for eight declared and 141 for two (K. Taylor 54, B. Close 51 not out). Surrey four points.

At Nottingham: Gloucestershire beat Nottinghamshire by six wickets. Nottinghamshire 353 for six declared and 148. Gloucestershire 327 and 177 for four (D. Carpenter 71). Gloucestershire 12 points. Nottinghamshire four points.



THE GAMBOLS



Sports Diary

TODAY
1st Division: NCC v Talke, 5.30 pm.
2nd Division: Stanley Club v USRC, 5.30 pm.
WIMMING
Girl Outing: Annual gala, YMCA pool, 5 pm.
TOMORROW
WIMMING
Council meeting of the Hong Kong Chinese Football Association, Tai Tung Restaurant, 7 pm.
BOWLS
1st Division: "Blue" v "White", 1.30 pm.
Men's Open: 4th round matches at HKFC, HKCC, NCC, KCC, PCC.

WORLD EPEE TITLE FOR FRENCHMAN

Turin, July 25. Jacques Cottier, of France, won the world individual epee title at the World Fencing Championships here tonight.

Guttler won six bouts out of seven in the final pool.

Sweden's Hans Lagerwall was second with five wins and Tamás Gábor, of Hungary, finished third with four wins.

Today's big crowd included Queen Elizabeth. —Reuter.

Murray Halberg breaks world three miles record

Stockholm, July 25. New Zealand's 28-year-old runner, Murray Halberg, tonight set a new world time for the three miles when he clocked 13 minutes 10 seconds for the distance during a 5,000 metres race at an international meeting here.

The Olympic 5,000 metres gold medalist's brilliant run clipped 0.8 seconds off the former world record set up in 1950 by Australia's Albert Thomas.

The record came during Halberg's announced attempt on the world 5,000 metres record. He was aided in the race by Australian Dave Power and New Zealander Barry Magee.

ALL SET
The trio broke away from the field soon after the start, and at the 4,000-metre mark, Halberg was all set for a record-shattering run. He had the same time of 10 mins 58 secs as Kutz at that stage when Kutz broke the world 5,000-metre record.

Power faded at the end of the race and Halberg, who started running after a serious arm injury had ended his career as a rugby player, raced on to a world record time of 13 mins 10 secs for the three miles.

He went on to complete the 5,000 metres in 13 mins 35.2 secs, only 0.2 second clear of the world record for that event set by Vladimir Kutz, of Russia, in October 1957. —AFP.

'Horse that nobody wanted' wins Stewards' Cup

Goodwood, July 25. Skymaster — "a lovely horse that nobody wanted" — won the six furlong Stewards' Cup, first big race of the Goodwood Meeting, here today.

Australian jockey, Seabie Brensey, steered 100-7 shot Skymaster home first in a photo-finish from Deep Leap, narrowly beaten into second place for the third year running.

Irish-owner Mr William Kelly bought Skymaster just a few months after a tip-off from his father, "There is a lovely three-year-old in England that nobody wants," he told him.

Mr Kelly took his daughter's advice, and today Skymaster won Mr Kelly the £3,000 prize. The horse also gave jockey Brensey his seventh win in his last 12 outings.

SYMPATHY

As Skymaster and Deep Leap, the three favourites, raced for the line, Brensey just that little bit extra from his mount to get home by the narrowest of margins with 10-1 chance Klondyke Bill a further two lengths away third of 22 starters.

Apart from those who backed Skymaster, all sympathy was for gallant Deep Leap, ridden by Gravello Starkey. Last year Deep Leap was beaten by a short head and the year before by a neck.

The four-day Goodwood Meeting is second only to Royal Ascot on the English flat racing calendar in the value of its prizes, the class of field it attracts and as a social occasion.

Today's big crowd included Queen Elizabeth. —Reuter.



MURRAY HALBERG

Big international entry for Malayan Open Tennis Championships

Kuala Lumpur, June 25. Thirty-two top ranking players from eight nations will compete in the men's singles event of the Malayan Open Tennis Championships to be staged here from Aug. 2 to 8.

J. M. Jose, the national champion of the Philippines and P. S. Kumara, the champion of Ceylon, are top seeds. Other players are: Hiroshi Hirose the third ranking Japanese player and Felselmo Ampon, a former British Hard Court champion.

HK lawn bowlers lose in England

London, July 25. The Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association team was beaten 71-50 in the second match of their tour of England by the Crouch Hill Bowling club here today.

Rank scores were: Mills, Scott, Shields, Arless (Hongkong) 12; Crouch Hill 25. Pope, Myer, Rose, Cavanagh (Hongkong) 20; Crouch Hill 25. Estall, Pinell, Bennett, Lonsdale (Hongkong) 18; Crouch Hill 21. —Reuter.

South Africans ineligible for Empire titles

London, July 25. South African bowlers are no longer eligible to fight for British Empire and Commonwealth titles.

This decision was reached by a unanimous vote at a meeting of the British Commonwealth and Empire Championships committee here today, and follows South Africa's withdrawal from the British Commonwealth.

Under the rules of the committee only a British citizen, resident in the Commonwealth, can contest a title.

The only South African currently holding an Empire and Commonwealth title is flyweight Dennis Adams and today's meeting declared the flyweight title vacant.

Three contenders were named for the vacant title — Johnny Caldwell, the British champion, who also holds the European version of the world bantamweight title, Canada's Lloyd Gordon, and Australia's Jackie Bruce. —Reuter.

WORLD OF SPORT

Should tennis be an Olympic event?

By JOHN COTTRELL

Should we have lawn tennis in the Olympic Games? Much publicity has been given to the unsuccessful efforts of the West to "sell" open tournaments to the International Federation. But little has been said about the East's failure to have Olympic lawn tennis revived.

For the second year in succession, the Russians have unsuccessfully sought the inclusion of lawn tennis in the Olympics. To many people, the omission of this major sport must seem somewhat curious.

After all, lawn tennis was one of the six original sports of the first modern Olympics at Athens in 1896 and it was the first Olympic event in which women were allowed to take part.

Strangely, the sport was dropped from the Olympic programme after the 1924 Paris Games, when lawn tennis was a highly successful attraction. Helen Wills Moody won the ladies' singles, while the American Vincent Richards became the last Olympic men's singles champion by defeating Henri Cochet of France in a five-set thriller.

Today, it can be argued that lawn tennis is far more worthy of a place in the Games than games like hockey and football which, as team sports, are less in keeping with the traditions of the Olympics.

Tough on Russians
But these arguments, a revival reply that amateur lawn tennis already has a world championship in the form of the Davis Cup and that no Olympic tournament could compare with the Wimbledon Championships which have the best organisation and facilities in the world.

There is also the fact that the International programme is so crowded that Olympic lawn tennis would almost certainly clash with one of the annual major championships or Davis Cup matches.

It is tough on the Russians. Their lawn tennis is at an early stage of development, just as it was in other countries when tennis was on the Olympic agenda.

But the case against a revival is overwhelming. The Russians should jump in the deep end by joining in the Davis Cup competition and this will greatly help to raise the standard of their star players.

Too polite!

It is not often that one can criticise a top sporting star for being too polite, but I do so in the case of Herbert James Elliot, the Cambridge undergraduate better known as 'Huslin' Herb', world's greatest miler.

Without proper training, he has been competing in races for which, by his standards, he is quite unconditioned — all because he is too good mannered to decline long-standing invitations.

It does no one any good when Herb runs as he did in Brighton recently and finishes seventh in a field of nine half-milers. Certainly it does not help Elliot.

While he is missing the intense, body-racking training that Percy Cerutti introduced, in actual competition Herb is having a tougher time than when he was running 17 sub-four minute miles.

When he won the mile in the Cambridge University Trials this season — in 4 mins. 0.8 secs — it seemed to take more out of him than winning that Olympic 1,500 metres gold medal in Rome.

Out of condition, Herb had to drive himself to the limit to win by a bare fifth of a second from 19-year-old Martin Heath. Later, after more serious training, he had less trouble winning the mile for Cambridge in 4 mins. 7.2 secs.

Since then Herb has stuck to half-miling. For he knows that over the classic distance there would be a real danger of his losing that fabulous record of never having been beaten in a mile race he was 14.

But don't think we have seen the last of the great Herb.

Elliot. Soon this 23-year-old student of natural sciences hopes to get down to serious training in preparation for the Empire Games in Perth. He wants to win a gold medal on home soil.

His other ambitions? He has said he would like to row for Cambridge and have a try at the marathon.

Same again

It's 23 years since Britain last won the Walker Cup, that one-sided biennial amateur golf competition against the United States. Don't expect any change this year.

The two nations meet in Seattle on September 1 and the strength of the American team is emphasised by the fact that two of the world's best amateur golfers — Billy Joe Patton and Harvie Ward — have been chosen as reserves.

The selectors, it seems, believe they have ten better players in which case Britain's golfers will be massacred.

But I don't believe that all the American Walker Cup men are unbeatable, though they are good enough to make sure of retaining the trophy.

Outstanding man in the team is Jack Nicklaus, almost in the class of the top American professionals.

After Dai Rees' great effort in the British Open, finishing runner-up one point behind the incomparable Arnold Palmer, and Dave Thomas' third place in the French Open, there will be higher hopes for Britain against the United States in the Ryder Cup for professionals at Royal Lytham and St. Annes in October.

PENNSYLVANIA TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Haverford, July 25. The top seeded American and foreign players, Chuck McKinley of the U.S. and Bob Mark of Australia, reached the second round of the men's singles event in the 52nd Pennsylvania Lawn Tennis Championships today by winning in straight sets at Merion Cricket Club.

McKinley, a member of the U.S. Davis Cup team, and runner-up in the Wimbledon Championship to Rod Laver of Australia, scored a 6-3, 6-1 victory over Leo Fentles, of the U.S.

Laver is not defending the Pennsylvania Championships singles title he won last year. His Davis Cup team-mate, Mark, scored a 6-0, 6-1 victory over left-hander James Shaffer of the U.S.

The top-seeded foreign entry for the women's singles, Edda Buding, national champion of Germany and recent winner of the U.S. Clay Court title, made her first appearance in the tournament by defeating Carol Southamby, a junior player of Washington, D.C., 6-1, 6-4. —AP.

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DRAW FOR MERDEKA CUP SOCCER

Kuala Lumpur, July 25. The draw for Malaya's fourth Independence Anniversary Soccer Tournament which begins here on August 2 was made today.

Nine nations — India, Indonesia, Malaya, Singapore, Hongkong, Thailand, Korea, Japan and Vietnam — will vie for the Merdeka Cup, donated by Malaya's Prime Minister, Tun Abdul Razak.

Malaya, joint-holder of the trophy is seeded in group "A" and will play against Japan, Vietnam, India, while Korea, the other joint-holder, will play against Singapore, Indonesia, Hongkong, and Thailand in Group "B".

Both Malaya and Korea are seeded in "their respective groups" and are favourites to meet in the final on August 12. —Reuter.

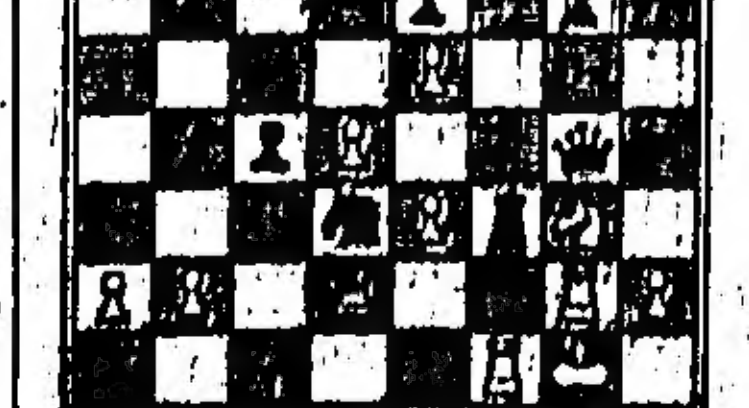
Flash Elorde to defend Orient title

Tokyo, July 25. Japan's lightweight boxing champion Teruo Kosaka will challenge the world and Orient lightweight boxing title-holder, Flash Elorde, of the Philippines for his Orient lightweight crown on September 2 in Manila. It was announced here today by Mr Kosaka's manager.

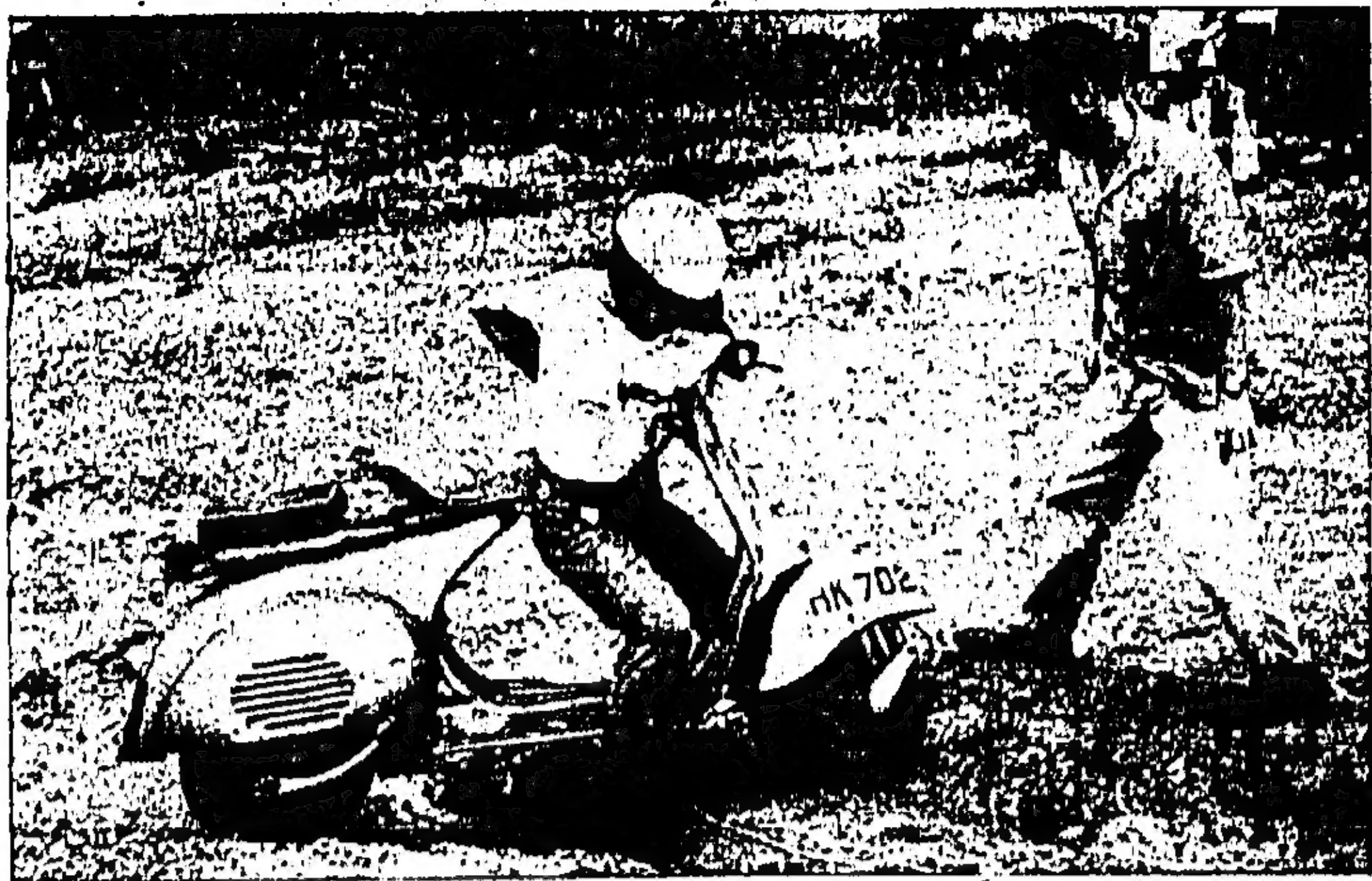
The 12-round title bout is to be a charity fight sponsored by the Philippines Boxing Writers Club. —Reuter.

CHESS

By LEONARD BARDEN



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ABOVE: Ho Kam-wah, one of the competitors in the Vespa Club Reliability Trials last week, finds it hard going in the mud. At right is Oily Van, the eventual overall winner, acting as the marshal for this event.

LEFT: Gagarin is the name of this three-month-old colt-foal, who has already done his share of travelling. Born in France, a son of the French stallion Tankerke, Gagarin is now being raised at the Airle Stud near Dublin, Ireland. Owner Phil Bull, of Halifax, paid ten shillings to claim the Space Age name for his colt last week — and Gagarin will go into orbit on the race tracks in 1963.—London Express photo.

BELOW: Some of the boys and girls of seven years of age and under seem here to enjoy themselves during this special obstacle race for them at the Ladies' Recreation Club children's swimming gala last week.—China Mail Special.



The cricketing Yanks from Winnetka—the first American club. It is believed, to make a private tour of England — warmed up at Ealing, London, before opening their 11-match tour of Britain, using the title "United States Cricketers' Team."

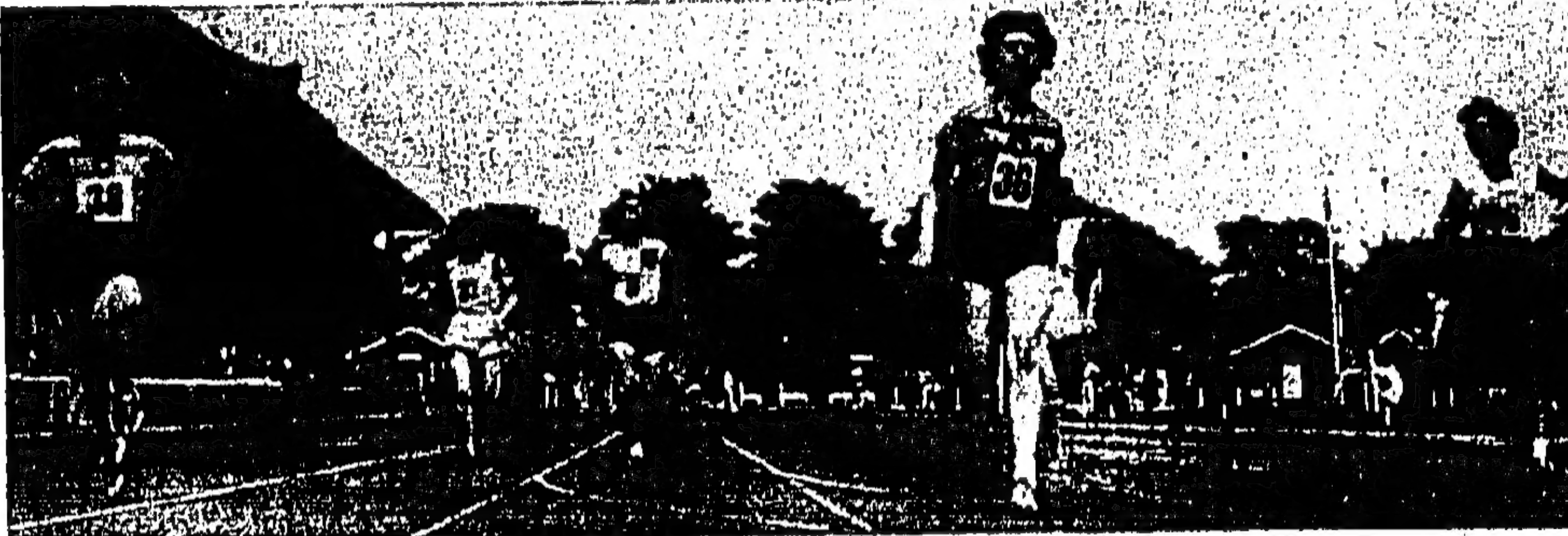
The U.S. team from the land of baseball is made up of two Australians and nine Englishmen who have settled in the Bluffs — there is not one American-born player. "But some of our chaps have American wives" said one of the batsmen, 45-year-old Douglas Catling a personnel manager in Chicago.

Photo shows seven members of the team. Gerald Steward, Pat Athol, John Jacobs, Doug Catling, Ian Rice, Eric Hudson, Tom Surr at practice.—London Express photo.

SPORTS PICTORIAL



A strong Australian Ladies basketball team, calling themselves the Crusaders, will be visiting Hongkong later this year to play a series of matches against local teams. Photo shows six members of the team. From left to right (top row) Christine Graham, Beverly Etridge, Jan Wemyss; (bottom row) Helen Lodge, Diane Knights and coach Dave Moir.



ABOVE: Pat Claybourne (No 36) (Women's Royal Air Force) brought off a notable double when she won both the 100 and 220 Yards in the women's events at the Inter-Services Athletics Championships at Aldershot. Here she is seen winning the 100 Yards from Flight-Sergeant Dowdeswell (No 38) and Hewitt-Taylor (No 6) (Women's Royal Naval Service).—Banews photo.

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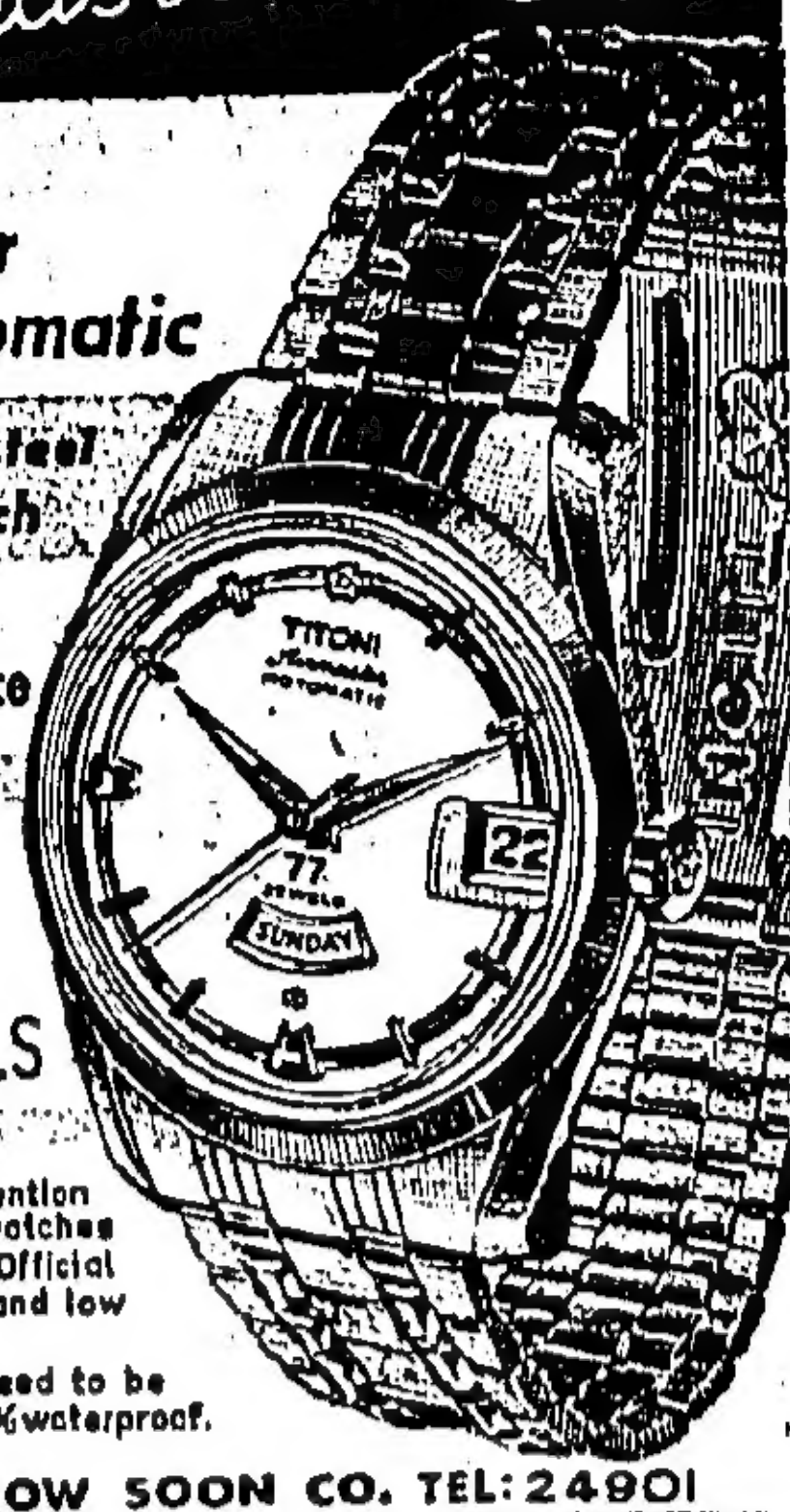
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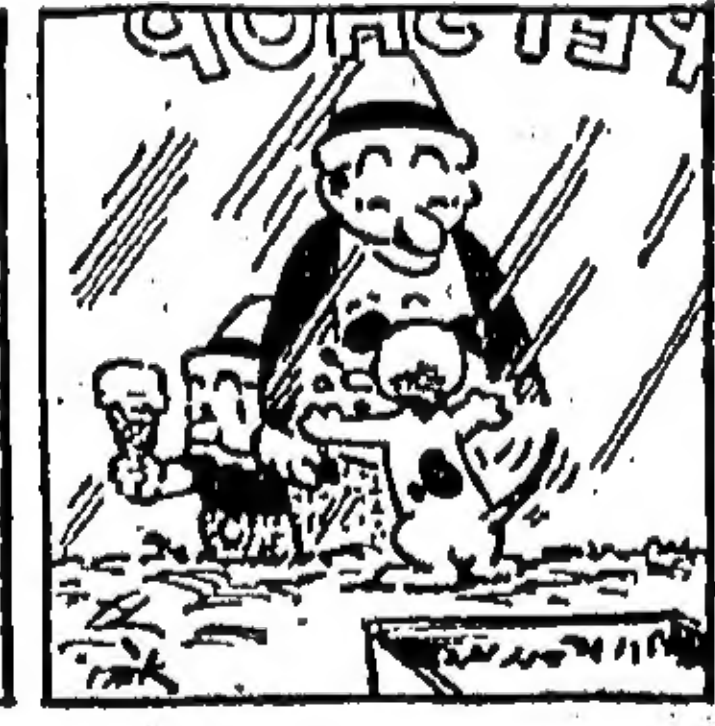
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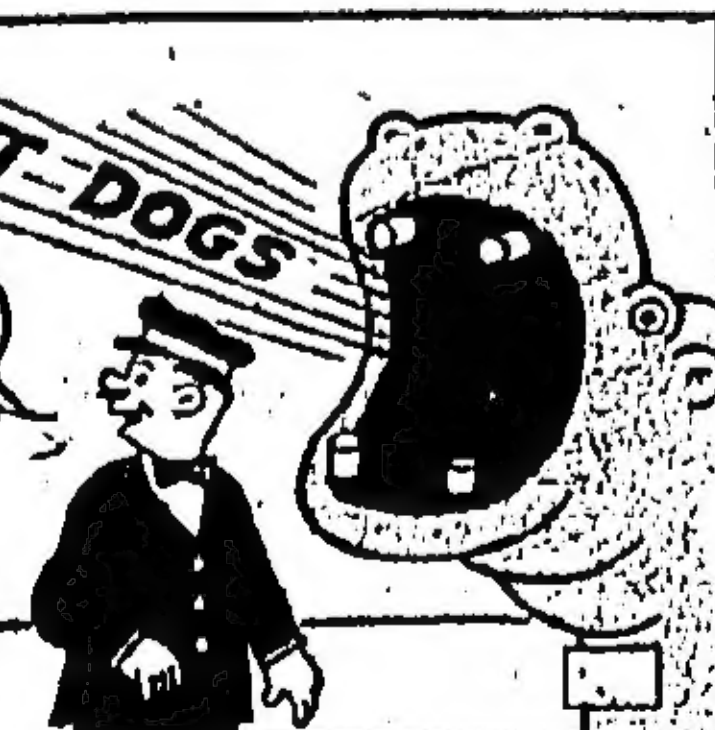
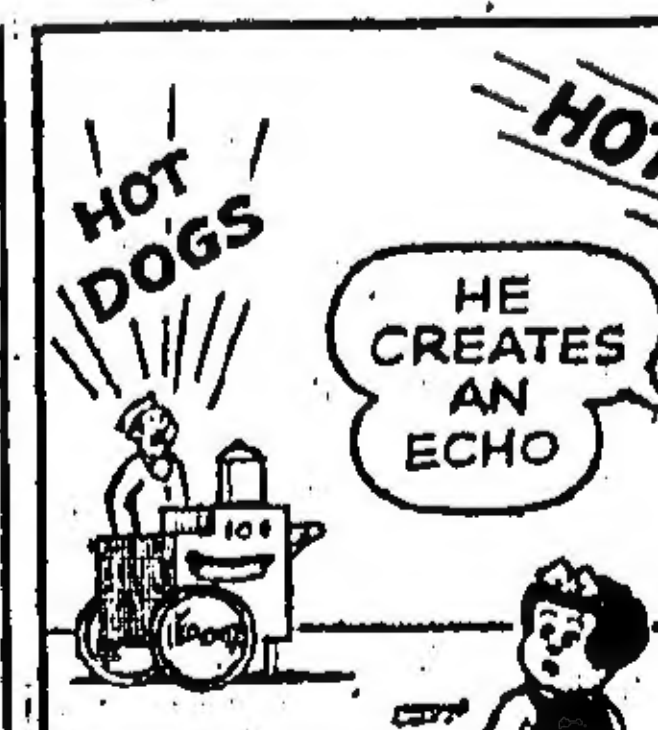
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U.S. FIRMS URGED TO INCREASE HK TRADE

Washington, July 25.
The Commerce Department reported today that Hongkong scored a satisfactory record of progress in almost every business activity during 1960.

The Colony's total imports exceeded U.S.\$1,000,000,000 and exports of U.S.\$900,000,000 were equal to the record year of 1951. In its annual review of Hongkong economic developments, issued today, the Department said a large capital movement into Hongkong continued all through 1960, but substantial sums also went overseas, including investments in United States securities.

SHORT-TERM

"Capital investment in Hongkong continued mainly in short-term ventures, but the proportion was greater in

long-term projects as banks became more active in financing private construction," the report said.

The department urged U.S. exporters to seek greater sales in Hongkong with a wider range of goods.

"Not only should they (the exporters) be able to improve their position in the present market volume, but also share fully in supplying the Colony's rapidly increasing requirements that must be met mainly from imports," the report said.

"Exports to Hongkong do not face the problem of exchange shortages and trade barriers," the report said.—UPI.

Hongkong Mines loses \$12,432

Mr. G. Abbass, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hongkong Mines, Ltd., reported a loss of \$12,432 and said that the mine operations, suspended in June 1958, had not been resumed due to the current low price of lead and lack of funds for economic production.

Mr. C. A. Henderson, Secretary, replied to one of the questions put by Mr. H. Odell, a shareholder present, who wanted to know why the company had not been liquidated. Mr. Henderson said that there was still hope.

Mr. Abbass said that the Directors had agreed to waive their fees for the year 1960, and he proposed the adoption of the report and audited accounts. This was seconded by Mr. Wang Zung-en.

Graduation

A graduation ceremony of the Kwong Tai Middle School was held this morning at the Princess Theatre. A Cantonese film was shown later for the entertainment of the senior middle, junior middle and primary graduates.

GETTING TO KNOW HONGKONG



New Zealand artist Peter McIntyre's paintings of Hongkong scenery commissioned last year by the Hongkong Tourist Association are now on "Road Show" exhibitions in principal American and Canadian cities. Photo shows a pretty uxorote, dressed in well-fitted cheongsam, handing out a catalogue at the exhibition held recently at the Northwestern National Bank of Minneapolis where it was seen by thousands of the bank's customers and other people invited to the show.

U.S. living costs rise to new peak

Washington, July 25.
Living costs edged up to a new record peak in June for the first time in six months, the Labour Department reported today.

Despite a rise of two-tenths of 1 per cent in the consumer price index, the average buying power of the nation's 15 million factory workers rose for the fourth consecutive month and matched the record level achieved in 1959.

INDEX UP

Commissioner of Labour Statistics Ewan Clague blamed the June increase in the index on seasonal make-ups for fresh fruits and vegetables now in short supply and higher prices for used cars, gasoline and some household items.

The increase lifted the index to 127.6 for the housewife. This meant that goods and services which cost \$10 in 1949-50 cost \$12.76 last month.

The increase in the past three months was not big enough to trigger pay boosts for 90,000 aircraft and bus company workers whose wages are geared to changes in the index. About 9,500 others will get penny-an-hour raises. However.—UPI.

Attack said launched on Guinea

Lisbon, July 25.
An attack "coming from Senegal" was launched today on Portuguese Guinea, according to a communique issued by the Overseas Provinces Agency General.

The communique said that between 3 and 4 on today, a group of about 200 armed men, coming from Senegal, invaded the beach and village of Varela in Portuguese Guinea.

Houses were damaged but no one was attacked or hurt, the communique added.

The beach of Varela is a remote resort about 20 miles south of the border of Senegal, in West Africa.—AP.

COLONY DELEGATES LEAVE TOMORROW FOR SYDNEY FAIR

The Hongkong delegation to the Sydney Trade Fair which is being staged from August 1 to 12, will leave by air tomorrow evening.

The members who will be leaving tomorrow are Mr. Dhun Ruttonjee, Leader, Mr. S. S. Gordon, Deputy Leader, who is senior partner of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, Mr. J. S. Lee, Director of Lee Hysan Estate Co., Ltd., Mr. Daniel Lam, General Manager of China Hua Flashlights Ltd., and Mr. Tang Wo, Managing Director of Hip Shing and Co.

Messrs. S. S. Gordon, J. S. Lee and Daniel Lam are also members of the Trade and Industry Advisory Board.

The other delegates, Mr. R. G. Huleheon, Editor of the China Mail, Mr. W. E. Manson, Hongkong Trade Representative in Australia, and Mr. W. Darward, Trade Officer of the Commerce and Industry Department, are already in Sydney.

The Sydney Trade Fair is probably the largest international trade fair ever to be

Training Centre boy escapes from officer

A boy from a Training Centre escaped from the car of his escorting officer and was still at large, the Commissioner of Prisons, Mr. C. J. Norman, revealed today in his report for the second quarter of the year.

The boy was returning from court after an unsuccessful application for a review of a sentence when he escaped.

During the same period, five other boys left the two Training Centres at Stanley and Cape Collinson but were later found and taken back the report said.

The total number of boys at the centres in June was 234.

There were 47 new admissions.

At the Cape Collinson Training Centre, work is going ahead on the construction of workshops, classrooms, kitchens and staff quarters.

A boy who failed to return from weekend leave during the first quarter of this year was sentenced to a term of imprisonment when he was arrested and convicted of larceny and of being a truant member.

From the Files

25 years AGO

July 1936

Cine Club members hear talk

Members at the Hongkong Cine Club's Social Evening yesterday heard Mr. Colwyn Haye demonstrate the development of a good plot by means of a simple graph in his talk on "Writing for the Eye."

Mr. Haye, who was guest speaker, cited "The Secret Ways," as an example of a good thriller, and then referred to J. B. Priestley's television play, "Doomsday for Dyson," in connection with an early television play of his own, "Dyson's Day." He concluded by saying that writing for the eye was in many ways far more exacting than writing for the ear alone.

An amateur film about the game reserves in Ceylon, together with two short feature films, "Neighbours" by Norman McLaren and "The Print-makers" were shown at the Club.

All-out drive against TB

The Medical and Health department is continuing its all-out drive against tuberculosis. More than 20,170 BCG vaccinations were carried out during the second quarter of this year and of this number, 17,803 were given to new-born infants.

Vaccine of special strength for infants continued to be supplied free to all doctors and midwives.

The Director of Medical and Health Services, states that 77.2 per cent of all infants who were registered in the same quarter were vaccinated.

The Spanish Government claims that after a five hour battle for Madrid the Government took the offensive, and defeated the rebels. It is claimed that while Zaragiza and Valladolid are still in the hands of the insurgents the Government controls the rest of Spain.

Fierce fighting is reported from Barcelona, where it is said that 2,000 have been killed and 3,000 wounded. The Government have gained the upper hand not only in the city but throughout Catalonia.

At Cadiz loyalist warships have bombarded the town and its fall to Government forces is expected at any time. Fierce fighting continues in Morocco, where the civilian population has suffered heavily. Whether the present Fascist revolt fails or succeeds it is expected that Spain will remain a republic.

Later reports, including a British Wireless summary of the situation, suggest that the struggle is by no means decided, and the decisive battle for Madrid has yet to be fought. The formidable dreadnought, Jaime I has gone over to the rebels.

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